

# **FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

## **SB 3595 – HB 3753**

May 9, 2008

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (018364):** Deletes all language of the original bill. Requires persons receiving compensation only for actual out of pocket expenses who lobby more than 10 days per year, to register as a lobbyist. Exempts these persons from payment of the annual lobbyist registration fee and occupational privilege tax. Requires Ethics Commission to review and consider all statutory provisions and related legislative history when issuing any advisory opinion or other document. Prohibits non-attorney staff members from issuing advisory opinions. Requires verbal informal advisory opinions to be followed by a written opinion within three days. Requires Commission to keep record of and compile all inquiries and informal responses given. Grants immunity to individuals acting under an informal advisory opinion that is later determined to be an incorrect interpretation.

### **FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:**

Decrease State Revenue - \$3,000

### **FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

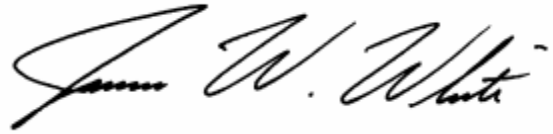
**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**  
**Decrease State Revenue - \$3,000**

Assumption applied to amendment:

- According to the Ethics Commission, any cost to compile required data is estimated to be not significant. All other provisions of the bill can be accomplished with no additional fiscal impact upon the Commission.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a distinct "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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